

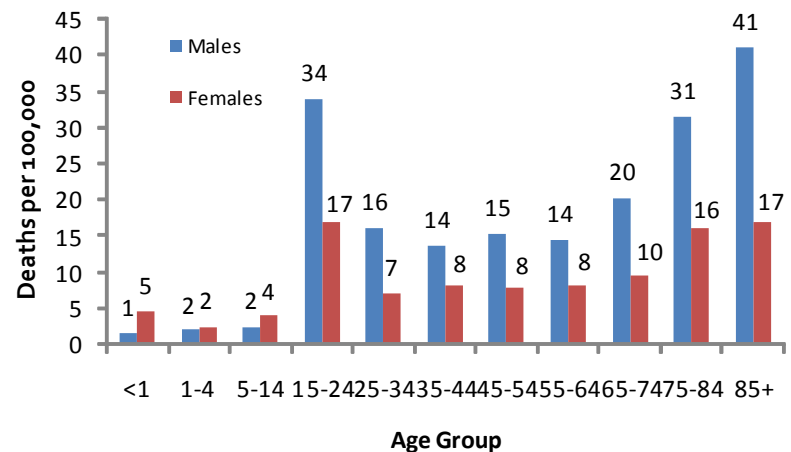
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# Unintentional motor vehicle crash injuries in Nebraska 2004-2008

## Deaths due to unintentional motor vehicle crashes 2004-2008

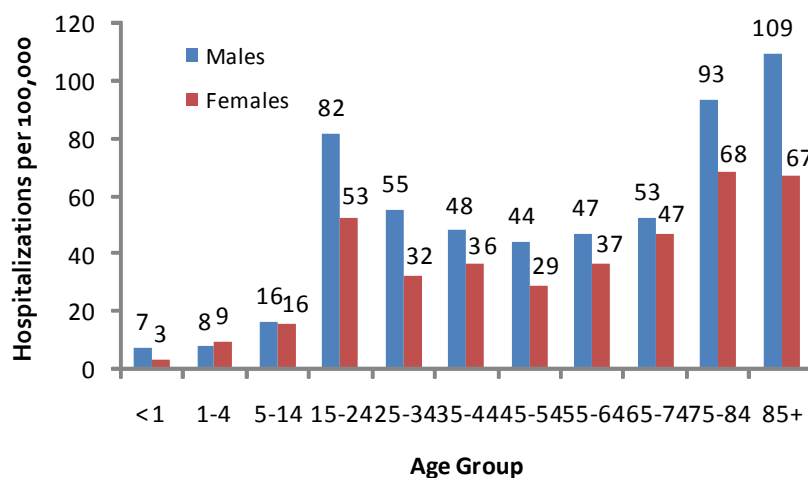
- Motor vehicle crashes (MVCs) were the leading cause of injury death in Nebraska.
- The overall death rate due to MVCs was 12.4 per 100,000 Nebraskans.
- Young adults ages 15-24 years and seniors ages 85+ years had the highest death rates due to MVCs—26 and 24 per 100,000 persons, respectively.
- Overall, deaths due to MVCs were more common among males (16 per 100,000) than among females (9 per 100,000).

**Fig 1. Age-adjusted death rates due to unintentional motor vehicle crashes, Nebraska, 2004-2008 (n=1,119)**



Source: NE death certificates, 2004-2008

**Fig 2. Age-adjusted hospitalization rates due to motor vehicle crash injuries, Nebraska, 2004-2008 (n=3,728)**



Source: NE hospital discharge data, 2004-2008

## Hospitalizations due to unintentional motor vehicle crash injuries 2004-2008

- Motor vehicle crashes (MVCs) were the second leading cause of injury-related hospitalizations.
- MVC-related injury rates were highest among young adults ages 15-24 years and seniors ages 75 years and older.
- The median hospital charge for injuries due to unintentional MVCs was \$23,567.

For more information on injury in Nebraska, contact the DHHS Injury Prevention and Control Program at (402) 471-2101 or visit [www.dhhs.ne.gov/hew/hpe/Injury](http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/hew/hpe/Injury)